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Hesselbein Gets First Bill of 2017 Signed Into Law

Hesselbein pleased to have veterans hunting legislation signed into law, calls for continued action to help Wisconsin veterans and their families

Madison – Last week, Governor Scott Walker signed Senate Bill 46 (SB 46) into law. The bill, authored by State Representative Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) will give wounded military veterans preference in applying for hunting tags for turkey in the State of Wisconsin. Rep. Hesselbein released the following statement after the bill signing earlier this afternoon:

"I'm proud to have ushered this bill through the legislative process as it will provide a small perk to disabled Wisconsin veterans. This is a small way of saying "thank you" to our state's veterans for their service and physical sacrifice. Knowing that many veterans returning from active duty often return to hobbies like hunting and fishing, there is no doubt in my mind this legislation will be a beneficial tool veterans in our state will use.

"While I'm pleased this legislation has been signed into law, I want to reiterate my belief that there is so much more policymakers in Wisconsin can do to assist our veterans. This legislation represents a small token of appreciation for our veterans but I am hopeful elected officials at the local, state, and federal level will continue to work on bold legislative proposals to assist our veterans of all ages."

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